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FIRST LADY

Tarah Korir crosses the finish line first in the women's category at the inaugural running of the Yonge Street 10k in Toronto on Sunday. More photos, page 6. VINCE TALOTTA/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Doctors guilty of sex abuse want a second chance

Disciplined. Process begins for two Ontario physicians who want their licences reinstated

Ontario doctors lose their licence to practise for a variety of reasons — medical incompetence, sexually abusing a patient, OHIP fraud.

But what happens if a doctor wants his licence back?

The question has been a matter of debate for years, and while patients may not want to see an expelled doctor work in an office or operating room again, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario says the process of reinstatement is a rigid one.

That process is about to begin this month for two physicians, each of whom lost his licence some years ago for sexually abusing a patient.

Starting Monday, a five-day reinstatement hearing will take place for Dr. Stephen Dawson, who lost his medical licence in May 2005. The family physician based in Barrie and Toronto — who previously came before a discipline committee for refusing to provide birth-control pills and Viagra to unmarried people on religious grounds — was found guilty of professional misconduct by the college, for having oral sex with a woman he was treating with psychotherapy.

Later this month, Toronto pediatrician Dr. Jeffrey Seidman will also attend a reinstatement hearing. The former member of a sexual assault team at a Scarborough hospital had his licence revoked nine years ago after he sexually abused a 15-year-old patient.

None of Dawson, Seidman or their lawyers could be reached for comment.

Each doctor will plead his case before a disciplinary committee, made up of three members of the college and two members of the public.

According to Lonny Rosen, a health lawyer at Rosen Sunshine LLP, physicians must "satisfy the panel that it's in the public interest that he or she be reinstated," he said.

The college takes a similar position that "public safety is paramount," said spokesperson Jill Hefley. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

On with the dance!

Dresses, shoes and jewelry transform teens, who otherwise may not have been able to afford prom, into modern-day Cinderellas PAGE 4

France votes

Conservative President Nicolas Sarkozy will compete against socialist Francois Hollande for France's top position in the runoff vote on May 6 PAGE 10

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April showers bring snow blowers?

In a special weather statement Sunday, Environment Canada warned of cold temperatures, a mix of precipitation and strong winds Monday in the GTA and elsewhere in southern Ontario.

The statement said the precipitation, beginning as rain, would move in overnight and turn to snow by morning as the temperature dropped to just above freezing. The snow is expected to turn back into rain or ice pellets as the day goes on.

"This weather system will also bring in strong northerly winds on Monday, with gusts up to 70 km/h forecast for most locales. These northerly winds will keep temperatures in the low single digits, well below the normal of 12 to 14 at this time of year," the statement said.

Yana Kavirova and Nabin Jayaram enjoy the afternoon in High Park under the cherry blossom trees on Sunday. CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

North and west of the city, as much as 10 cm of snow could accumulate. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Michelle Yu. Missing teen makes contact: Police

A Toronto teen who disappeared nearly a week ago has made contact with her family, according to police.

Michelle Yu, 18, was dropped off at school by her father on the morning of April 17. She didn't return home afterwards and didn't respond to email or phone calls.

Friends and family mounted a massive search effort, holding rallies and flooding social-networking sites with pleas for her safe return.

Sunday afternoon, both the official website and Facebook group were updated with messages announcing Yu's safety.

Police believe she is somewhere west of Ontario.

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Michelle Yu FACEBOOK.COM

Toronto Elvis Fest brings out all the King's men

Stage show. Competitors have Elvis tributes down to an art form

It's never a good idea to use the word "impersonator" around someone performing as Elvis Presley.

"A lot of guys will be offended if you use that word," says Eric Evangelista, 40, wearing a $1,000 white jumpsuit, known as the "Benefit Suit," with six gaudy Elvis knock-off rings, two bracelets and a large Maltese cross. "The preferred term is 'Elvis tribute artist.'"

Evangelista and 39 other tribute artists, plus six youngsters, competed to be king at the Toronto Elvis Fest in Mississauga over the weekend. More than 1,900 Elvis fans flocked to the event at Stage West.

But what does it take to emulate Elvis?

First, the suit must match the song.

"Is a tribute artist singing Suspicious Minds wearing a gold lamé jacket?" organizer Nevin Grant asks, rhetorically. "Well, he'll never win because that's just ridiculous."

Elvis, of course, wore gold lamé in the 1950s, but by the time he performed Suspicious Minds in the 1970s, he ditched that look for jumpsuits. Only an amateur would make that mistake.

And the amateurs at this festival — there are also professionals here who make their living off Elvis — would never make such a mistake. And the term amateur is also a no-no.

"We're semi-professionals," Evangelista says.

Next, Elvis is in the details. Evangelista, like every other competitor, is meticulous about his look, one factor in the judges' final score. He dyes his hair — all real with real lamb-chop sideburns — jet black at a salon. His also shaves his chest because his custom-made suits often have a deep V-neck.

"Elvis didn't have as hairy a chest as mine," he says, laughing, with Elvis-like baby-blue eyes. "And these are my real eyes, no coloured contacts."

Another tribute artist, Brent Morrey, is one of the few who emulate a young Elvis.

"It's harder to do the older Elvis — his vocal range is huge," says Morrey, who lives in Lucerne, Switzerland, but is currently working in Toronto. "But younger Elvis is much tougher physically because he moves his hips like an animal."

The most important trait for a tribute artist, according to the official judge's form from Elvis Presley Enterprises, is the voice.

Competitor John George, 47, agrees.

"The best tribute artists respect Elvis by studying him, looking like him and, most importantly, sounding like him," says George, who flew in from Liverpool, England, for the weekend.

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Prizes

- The festival winner, who wouldn't be crowned until late Sunday night, will receive $4,000 and a berth in the Ultimate Elvis competition that is held on the anniversary of Presley's death each Aug. 16.

Eric Evangelista, 40, competes at the Toronto Elvis Fest in Mississauga on Sunday. LIAM CASEY/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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In tomorrow's paper

Super series

This masked man is one of Canada's real-life superheroes. Get to know him and the superhero movement in tomorrow's Metro.

Mobile news

Meow, the super-sized orange and white tabby, can't help but waddle. Tipping the scale at nearly 40 pounds, the two-year-old cat has been given to a New Mexico shelter by his 87-year-old owner, who could no longer provide adequate care. Now, the shelter has vowed to whip the feline into shape. Scan the code for the story.

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Westview student Shantel Taylor, 18, right, selects a handbag with the help of volunteer personal shopper Shannon Shelton. Taylor is taking advantage of the Corsage Project, which distributes donated prom clothing and accessories to 250 girls from the GTA. RICK EGLINTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Cinderella story

Corsage Project.
Annual event offers stylish prom attire to needy students

They arrived feeling a little shy and apprehensive. They left looking fabulous.

Some 275 young women who might not otherwise have made it to their graduation formals this year were heaped with finery on Sunday during the Corsage Project's 12th annual Boutique Ball.

The charity event — which provides girls from disadvantaged homes with free gear for their high-school farewell — transformed a cavernous salon at the Toronto Reference Library into a day-long shopping bazaar filled to bursting with rainbow-coloured ball gowns, shoes, handbags and jewelry.

"The dresses I saw were so pretty," said Dyon Surujpaul, 17, who graduates from Westview secondary school in June. "You got to choose what you wanted and you got to take your time in choosing what you want. They just make it so perfect, the way everything works together — the colours, the diamonds."

The Corsage Project, co-founded by two teachers in 2000, works on referrals from the Children's Aid Foundation and teachers and guidance counsellors from both Toronto school boards.

"A lot of the young woman that we work with are working two, even three part-time jobs," said Corsage Project volunteer Sarah Tuite. "They're supporting their families. They're often living in economically challenging situations. So going to prom is not an option for them."

The Corsage Project helps "to even the playing field," she said.

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The Oprah effect

"It's such an Oprah moment. People come in and they're kinda worked up and tough, but it melts away all their issues. Just the process of receiving a gift changes the momentum of your day."

Nine-year volunteer Nicholas Mellamphy, creative designer of The Room at the Bay

East-end collision

Cyclist suffers head injuries

A male cyclist was struck by a vehicle on Victoria Park Avenue north of Biscayne Boulevard on Sunday afternoon. He was taken to a trauma centre in serious condition, Toronto EMS said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Fatal accident

Pedestrian hit, dies in hospital

A 56-year-old woman died after being hit by a vehicle while crossing Morningside Avenue in Scarborough on Saturday night. Police said the vehicle was driving through a green light. The victim was severely injured and transported to hospital, where she died.

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Chicken run. Doug Ford makes light of KFC video

Mayor Rob Ford missed his weekly radio show for the first time on Sunday, and his co-host and co-dieter brother seized the opportunity to poke fun at him for his caught-on-video visit to KFC last week.

The mayor, according to a NewsTalk 1010 news release on Friday, was going to discuss "being caught at KFC, his popularity numbers and weight loss issues."

But Coun. Doug Ford said his brother was "a little under the weather" and "could barely talk" on Sunday morning.

His tone of concern did not last long, though. Early in the show, he said, "You're listening to The City with Councillor Paul Ainslie and Councillor Cesar Palacio and Councillor Doug Ford. The mayor's out gettin' KFC right now, I guess. He's tied up." He laughed heartily.

The Fords launched a public weight-loss campaign in January. Rob Ford, who has lost 18 pounds but gained four in recent weeks, was filmed by a child-care worker named Cordella as he entered a KFC on Jane Street on Tuesday.

On Sunday, Doug Ford made light of the video and weight-loss campaign: "If I've got to get a piece of duct tape, and stick it across his mouth, and put a little hole in there for a straw …"

The Fords are expected to hold their weekly weigh-in at city hall on Monday morning. Doug Ford said late in the show that the mayor was "not too bad" and was probably sitting at home returning constituents' phone calls.

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Policing. Use of force by police is down for third year running, report says

Police use-of-force incidents are decreasing, according to the latest data released by the Toronto police.

In fact, statistics show that such incidents have trended downward for three straight years.

In the first six months of 2011, there were 631 incidents involving use of force, down 14.1 per cent from the 735 incidents in 2010. In the first six months of 2009, there were 804 incidents, and 2008, 891.

Between 2008 and 2011, those numbers represent a drop of 29 per cent.

Deputy Chief Mike Federico told the police board last week that the number of emotionally distressed people injured or killed is very low compared with the number of interactions with police.

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Immigration. Family waiting for application to be processed since 2006

Little Songqiao Xu was only a year old when his parents applied to come to Canada in 2006. Today, Songqiao is almost 8 — and his mother and father are still waiting for their immigration visas to be approved.

Their wait, in an immigration backlog that today includes 300,000 other skilled workers and their families, will soon be over. But the outcome is not what they had hoped.

Quoted

"It is absolutely unfair."

Songqiao's mother Yan Xu, a high school English teacher in Suzhou, China.

The door to Canada will soon be shut for them with the government's recent announcement it plans to return all skilled worker applications received before 2008. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

City's latest welcome wagon has two wheels

Newcomers to T.O.

Immigrants can now connect by bike with city's people, culture, language, landscape

A Toronto immigrant service agency is taking newcomers' integration on two wheels.

CultureLink which offers immigrant services such as English classes and employment counseling, has launched a new program Saturday to match newcomers with Canadian hosts tasked with initiating them into their local community — with a twist.

While such social orientation programs aren't a new idea, Bike Host is the first to integrate newcomers on two wheels.

"This is a good way to help new immigrants build networks, make friends, learn about their new environment and feel more at home through cycling," said Kristin Schwartz, the agency's cycling outreach coordinator.

Over a four-month period, participants can attend free workshops about cycling in Toronto, road safety regulations and bike maintenance. Mentors will lead newcomers for rides on trails and do activities together as they cycle around the city.

Ride this way

- Nishit Shah was one of 18 mentors in the program's pilot last summer.
- Shah mentored three newcomers while also taking them on the city's bike trails, met them over coffee and meals and even introduced them to his own professional networks — and they have kept in touch.
- Participants rode along the lakeshore and Humber River, through Chinatown and Greektown, and stopped at Queen's Park and City Hall for lessons in history and politics.

The idea is for newcomers to brush up on conversational English and develop communication skills and professional networks through their mentors, all of whom are volunteers and experienced professionals from various walks of life. The program also aims to help cultivate a lifestyle of cycling among newcomers to the city.

In return, participants must volunteer to contribute to the various projects of the Bike Host program, from promotion and outreach to web marketing and event planning.

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Nelson Diaz, an immigrant from Venezuela, explores Yonge north of Eglinton on his bike. COLIN MC CONNELL TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Yonge Street 10k

1 First to cross the finish line. Yonge Street 10k in Toronto

Reid Coolsaet crosses the finish line first in front of Kip Kangogo on Sunday. VINCE TALOTTA/TORONTO STAR

2 Wheeling to glory. First in the wheelchair category

Richard Vanderwall crosses the finish line first in the wheelchair category. VINCE TALOTTA/TORONTO STAR

3 Time celebration. Under 53 minutes.

Alyson Peach celebrates after setting her time under 53 minutes. VINCE TALOTTA/TORONTO STAR

4 Green the way to go. Making it to the finish line

Paul Statchuk, in green, at the finish line. VINCE TALOTTA/TORONTO STAR

5 All for one. Hand in hand at the end

Jennifer Rayman, Karen Stack and Kerry Stack at the finish line. VINCE TALOTTA/TORONTO STAR

Security threat

Egyptian wants case thrown out

An Egyptian man imprisoned or under strict house arrest for a dozen years without charge or trial will ask a judge on Monday to throw his case out because the government took scores of his lawyers' confidential files. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Charitable agencies

2% increase much needed, CEO says

For the first time since the recession, United Way Toronto (UWT) is increasing funding to frontline agencies struggling to meet growing service demands to support the city's most vulnerable.

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Transit investigation

Video shows TTC driver on cell

A video of a TTC driver using a cellphone while driving a subway train that surfaced on YouTube has prompted an investigation by the transit authority. The video shows an employee in the cab at the front of a train. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Missing boy found

Amber Alert boy reunited with dad

A missing North York boy who became the subject of a province-wide police search on Saturday has been found alive and well. Joshua Low, 8, has been reunited with his father. The mother was taken into custody.

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Win the Alberta election and she is the first elected female premier in the province, heading up a party that has run things for four decades and will soon shatter the record for longest-serving government in Canadian history.

Lose and she's Harry Strom, the forgotten scapegoated premier of the Alberta Social Credit government when it fell to the Tories in 1971.

Redford, speaking at a weekend party rally, said she is pushing ahead and doesn't feel the weight of history.

"I'm pretty excited about-Monday," she said. "This is a campaign about Alberta's future.

Redford's Progressive Conservatives have been in unfamiliar territory since the election campaign began a month ago, running behind another party on the right side of the political spectrum.

The Wildrose party, under leader Danielle Smith, have fashioned an electable alternative by capitalizing on discontent over deficit budgets, long health-care wait times, onerous land-use rules, and perceived political greed on salary and perks. Some polls have had them ahead by more than 15 points, though that lead appears to have slipped somewhat recently.

If the Wildrose wins, it will defeat a colossus whose history can only be told in large numbers and superlatives.

Before the Tories, the 36-year-old Social Credit Party ended the 14-year run of the United Farmers of Alberta, who in turn ended the 16-year run of the Alberta Liberals.

The PC victories have varied between large and sweeping majorities. On average they've taken eight out of every 10 seats in their 11 wins. Only once, in 1993, did they fail to win two-thirds of all seats.

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Breaking record

The PCs have held power in Alberta for 14,847 days — 40 years and almost eight months.

- **Should they win a 12th** consecutive majority government, they will be on track to make history.
- **When the next election** rolls around, they will have been in power close to 45 years.

Alberta PC Leader Alison Redford gets back in her vehicle after making a campaign stop in Calgary on Saturday.

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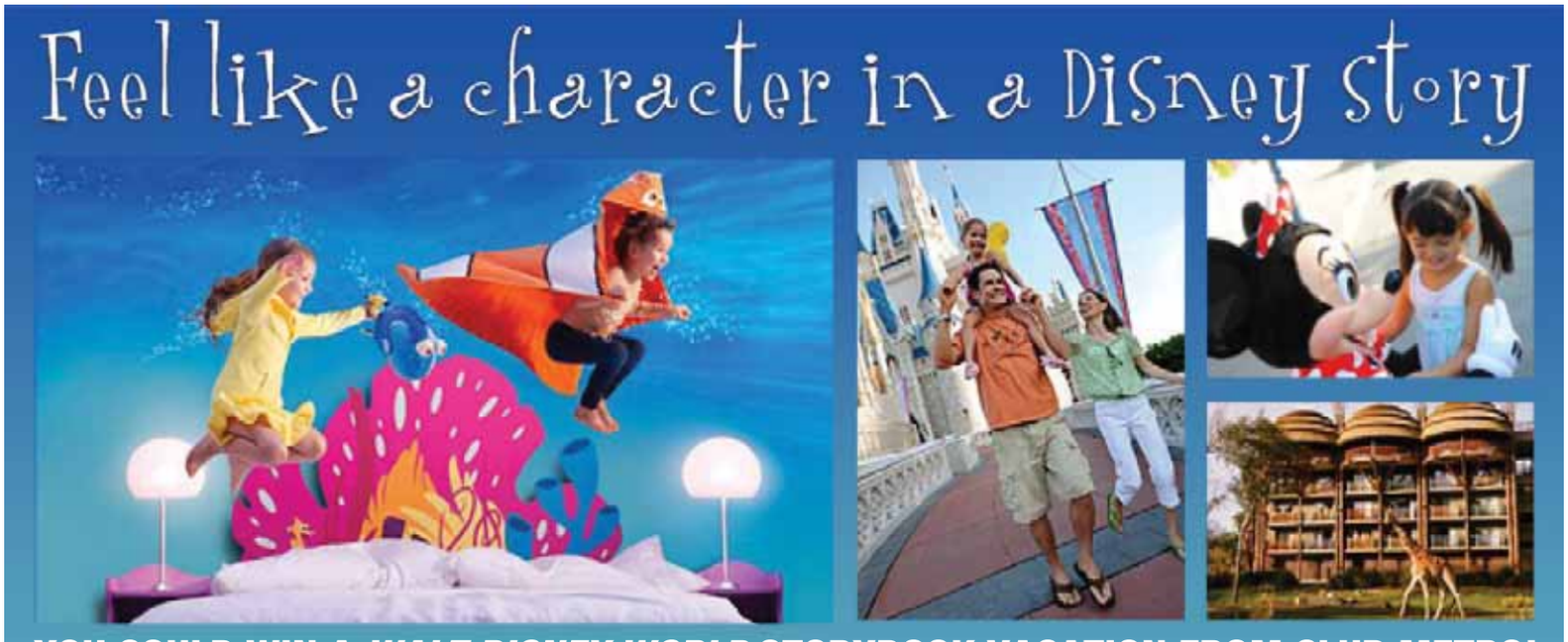

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‘Vegas’ MP’s story proves power of time

NDP MP Ruth Ellen Brosseau listens to a citizen speak about concerns over float-plane noise in her riding. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Progress. A year later, Ruth Ellen Brosseau is speaking French and plans to run for the next federal election.

Spend a day with rookie NDP MP Ruth Ellen Brosseau and witness the degree to which someone’s life can change in 12 months.

It was a year ago this week that Brosseau was making regular phone calls home from Las Vegas, where she was celebrating her 27th birthday under the bright lights of Sin City. Those calls brought news that turned her life upside down.

“Of course being a mom, I called home all the time and spoke to my son and my family,” said Brosseau. “They were kind of like: ‘There’s, um, stuff going on here, you’re kind of in the news a bit for going on your trip.’”

Brosseau, then a campus-bar manager in Ottawa, was hit with a stunner. Her name and photo were splashed all over the national news during Canada’s ongoing federal election campaign, during which she emerged as a poster child for the NDP’s improbable Quebec surge.

Little did she know that roughly one year later, she would be spending a busy day in a rural Quebec riding, a place to which she had no personal connection, discussing pyrite, float planes, federal summer jobs and an art exhibition with local constituents.

Entering that campaign a year ago, even the term ”underdog” would have been charitable to describe Brosseau and a few dozen other Quebec NDP candidates. She hadn’t knocked on doors, hadn’t spent a dime on her campaign and had never even set foot in the riding she was vying for.

Allegations also spread that Brosseau couldn’t speak French, even though the constituency was 98 per cent francophone.

But a so-called “orange wave” rolled in around the same time Brosseau was on that late-April trip. A few days later, that wave swept her to victory in the Berthier-Maskinonge riding, in what was perhaps the biggest upset of the election.

It was while she vacationed in Las Vegas that the first hints of the intense media interest in her story started to sink in. Brosseau read a couple of the news stories about her untimely, mid-campaign trip.

She tried, however, to keep herself from reading too much.

“I didn’t want to pay too much attention to it because I didn’t want to get too stressed,” Brosseau said.

She appears to have grown into her new job and, given the French lessons she’s been taking, original claims about her lack of proficiency in the language now appear exaggerated.

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Political riot

Police shut down Montreal protest

Police moved swiftly to shut down a protest in Montreal on Saturday, a day after a series of violent clashes between demonstrators and officers in riot gear created havoc in the downtown core.

Eighty-nine people, some wearing masks and goggles, were arrested after Saturday’s protest was declared illegal, said Montreal police spokesman Daniel Lacoursiere.

Demonstrators had gathered in the rain near Old Montreal to denounce a conference on Premier Jean Charest’s plan to develop northern Quebec.

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Sled dogs

Charge laid in B.C. animal cruelty case

A criminal charge has been laid in an animal cruelty case that focused international attention on the practices of the sled-dog industry after the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Robert Fawcett, a former general manager with Howling Dog Tours, based in Whistler, B.C., faces one count of causing unnecessary pain and suffering to dozens of sled dogs in April 2010.

A sled dog rests at a kennel operated by Whistler Outdoor Adventures. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Fifty-six dogs were dug up in a mass grave near Whistler after information leaked out in January 2011 through a workers compensation claim of post-traumatic stress disorder.

A Bob Fawcett also posted details on a PTSD website, describing how panicked animals were shot or had their throats slit before being dumped into the grave.

The charges come after a gruesome search and investigation by the RCMP and the Society for Prevention of Cruelty of Animals.

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Low key race. Obama poised to clinch Democratic nomination Tuesday

It's official: U.S. President Barack Obama will clinch the Democratic nomination for president Tuesday, ending a low-key primary race that many probably didn't realize was happening.

Obama is certain to reach the 2,778 delegates he needs to secure his party nod for a second time when five states vote on Tuesday.

He has won almost every delegate so far, with a few exceptions in some Southern states that won't vote Democratic in the fall anyway.

But don't expect a big party, or any party. Campaign officials say they are focused on the general election, as they have been for months, and the all-but-certain Republican nominee, Mitt Romney.

Barack Obama set to clinch party's nomination. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

All this is a stark difference from four years ago.

At this time in 2008, Obama was still in an epic primary battle against Hillary Clinton. The fight for the nomination didn't end until June, on the last day of the primary calendar, when Obama inched across the finish line on his way to the general election and eventually the White House.

Democratic voters, however, are not unanimously behind the president.

In Oklahoma, anti-abortion protester Randall Terry got 18 per cent of the vote in the Democratic presidential primary March 6. Party officials say he's not a real Democrat. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Socialist candidate leading Sarkozy

French elections. Early results show socialist Francois Hollande and conservative Sarkozy will advance to runoff

Socialist Francois Hollande and conservative President Nicolas Sarkozy are heading for a runoff election in their race for France's presidency. An eventual Hollande win could alter the European political and economic landscape.

French voters defied expectations and handed a surprisingly strong third-place showing to far-right candidate Marine Le Pen, who has run on an anti-immigrant platform aimed largely at Muslims.

With 75 per cent of the vote counted, Hollande had 27.9 per cent of ballots cast and Sarkozy 26.7 per cent.

Turnout was high, projected at about 80 per cent.

The top two candidates head to a runoff May 6. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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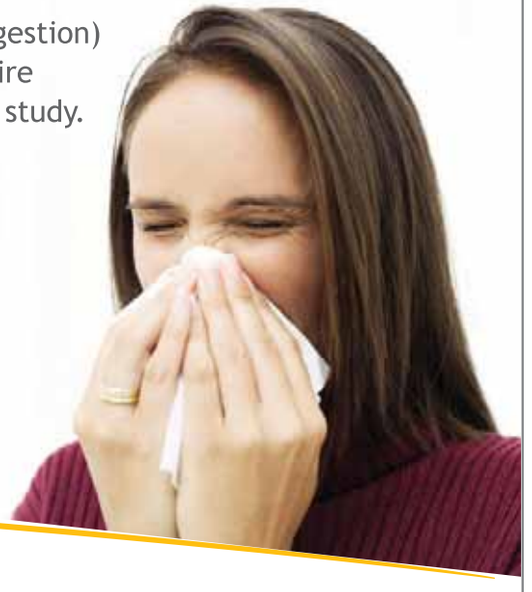

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Myanmar's newest MPs refuse to take seats over dispute

Protest. Democracy party boycotts opening session of parliament over constitutional oath that enshrines military power

Myanmar pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi leaves her National League for Democracy party after a meeting at the party's headquarters last Friday in Yangon, Myanmar. KHIN MAUNG WIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Democracy icon Aung San Suu Kyi and the rest of her party's newly elected lawmakers will not attend Monday's opening session of parliament because they object to wording in their oath of office which says they must "safeguard" the constitution, party officials said Sunday.

Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy party wants to see the constitution changed because it enshrines military power and came into force in 2008 during an era of iron-fisted army rule.

The absence from parliament of Suu Kyi and 42 other elected lawmakers who won historic April 1 byelections was expected. The party had already said it would not attend the assembly session until the issue is resolved.

Suu Kyi's party wants phrasing in the lawmakers' oath changed from "safeguard the constitution" to "respect the constitution."

Party officials have played down the problem, saying they still expect the lawmakers to attend the assembly, possibly this week or next. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Uneasy democracy

Fighting military influence

The oath is in an appendix to the constitution, and it is unclear whether it can be changed without the approval of 75 per cent of parliament.

The constitution automatically allocates 25 per cent of the parliamentary seats to unelected representatives of the military, and Suu Kyi's party maintains that is undemocratic.

The document also bars people from the nation's presidency if they or any of their relatives are foreign citizens. That effectively prevents Suu Kyi from ascending to the presidency because she married a British national, Michael Aris, who died in 1999. Their two children were born abroad and do not live in Myanmar.

The byelection's outcome, in which the opposition won almost all of the 45 seats up for grabs, was considered a major step toward reconciliation after decades of military rule in Myanmar.
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Head-on collision

Woman dies after Dutch train crash

A 68-year-old woman died Sunday of injuries a day after two trains collided head-on in Amsterdam. Mayor Eberhard van der Laan said 16 people who were seriously injured in the crash remained hospitalized Sunday afternoon.
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Prostitution scandal

More firings in Secret Service scandal?

The chairman of a House committee investigating an alleged Secret Service prostitution scandal predicted more firings as key lawmakers and President Barack Obama's top re-election adviser expressed confidence Sunday that the agency will effectively deal with the incident. So far, six agents have lost their jobs.
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Political crisis

Aussie Speaker steps down

Australia's parliamentary speaker temporarily stepped down Sunday amid allegations of sexual harassment and fraud, touching off a political crisis that threatens Prime Minister Julia Gillard's tenuous grip on power.

House of Representatives Speaker Peter Slipper announced Sunday that he will be temporarily replaced by his deputy, Anna Burke.
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Deal governing U.S. role done

Afghanistan. Strategic partnership deal ready for signing; it will govern U.S. role as international forces leave

Afghanistan and the U.S. agreed on a much-delayed strategic-partnership deal Sunday that is meant to govern the U.S. role in Afghanistan as international forces draw down and for decades after, the two governments said.

U.S. forces have already started pulling out and the majority of troops are scheduled to depart by 2014.

The deal is ready to be signed by the two presidents. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Significant agreement

The agreement is key to the U.S. exit strategy in Afghanistan because it's expected to provide a road map for the remaining U.S. forces and for funding.

- **The document was initialed Sunday.**

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Baltimore trial echoes Florida's Trayvon case

Beating. Attack on black teen believed racially motivated

Two brothers accused of beating a black teenager while patrolling an Orthodox Jewish neighbourhood in Baltimore go on trial Monday in a case with similarities to the shooting of black teenager Trayvon Martin in Florida that has drawn wide attention.

The brothers, who are white and Jewish, have claimed self-defence, saying the teen was holding a nail-studded board. Local civil rights activists hope the Florida case will draw more attention to what they believe was racial profiling by neighbourhood watch vigilantes.

The case

The Baltimore brothers are charged with second-degree assault, false imprisonment and carrying a deadly weapon (the hand-held radio).

- **Potential sentence.** The pair face up to 13 years in prison if convicted on all three counts.
- **Demographics.** The city is 63 per cent black and the jury will likely have eight or nine black members, so race will be a factor, said Byron Warnken, a University of Baltimore law professor and practicing attorney.

Eliyahu and Avi Werdesheim are accused of beating a 15-year-old boy who was walking through a Baltimore neighbourhood in November 2010. The brothers pulled up next to the teen in a vehicle, then got out and "surrounded him," according to charging documents. The passenger threw the teen to the ground and the driver hit him in the head with a hand-held radio and patted him down.

The teen remembered the driver yelling, "You wanna (mess) with us, you don't belong around here, get outta here!" according to court documents, which do not identify which brother was driving. While the teen struggled, a third man got out of a van and pinned him to the ground. The teen told police that he stopped struggling and the third man continued to search him.

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Street View now in Israel

After months of consultations with Israeli security officials, Google has launched its popular Street View service in the country's three largest cities.

The new Street View provides images of ordinary life, contested areas and religious sites in the Holy Land. Due to security issues, areas around several sensitive sites, such as the military headquarters in Tel Aviv and the prime minister's residence in Jerusalem, are blurred out.

Google Street View is available in more than 30 countries. It was held up in Israel by concerns that images of its streets could be used by terrorists. The Islamic Jihad militant group in Gaza, for instance, has boasted that it used Google Earth, which gives bird's-eye views and some street-level pictures of sites around the world, to aim rockets at Israel.

Last August, after a panel of government ministers met for six months to draft security guidelines, Israel announced it had reached an agreement with Google.

The service was quietly launched late last week and officially unveiled Sunday. The images are obtained by specialized cameras mounted on vehicles.

A Google Street View camera mounted on a tricycle.
VINCE TALOTTA/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

Tel Aviv Mayor Ron Huldai brushed off security concerns about Tel Aviv, a city that was hit hard by suicide bombings on buses and in restaurants during the Palestinian uprising a decade ago.

He said militants know the city well enough without the Google service. "Tel Aviv-Jaffa is a target anyway," Huldai said Sunday.

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Israel is the first Middle Eastern nation to display its cities and streets online.

- Pictures online Sunday showed typical street scenes — and the crowded cobblestone Via Dolorosa, the path that Jesus is said to have walked before his crucifixion in Jerusalem's Old City.

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Mexico

Wal-Mart accused of staying silent

Wal-Mart hushed up a vast bribery campaign that top executives of its Mexican subsidiary carried out to build stores across that country, according to a published report.

The New York Times reported Saturday that Wal-Mart failed to notify law enforcement officials even after its own investigators found evidence of millions of dollars in bribes.

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Murdoch to testify about political influence in U.K.

Phone-hacking scandal. Media mogul's testimony could discomfit ruling class

Rupert Murdoch's appearance before Lord Justice Brian Leveson's inquiry this week is expected to focus on the network of personal and professional ties that have bound his newspaper and television operations to some of the most senior politicians in the United Kingdom.

Those ties have frequently come under criticism, with many observers saying British politicians were scared of crossing Murdoch because of his company's domination of the British media landscape.

Under fire

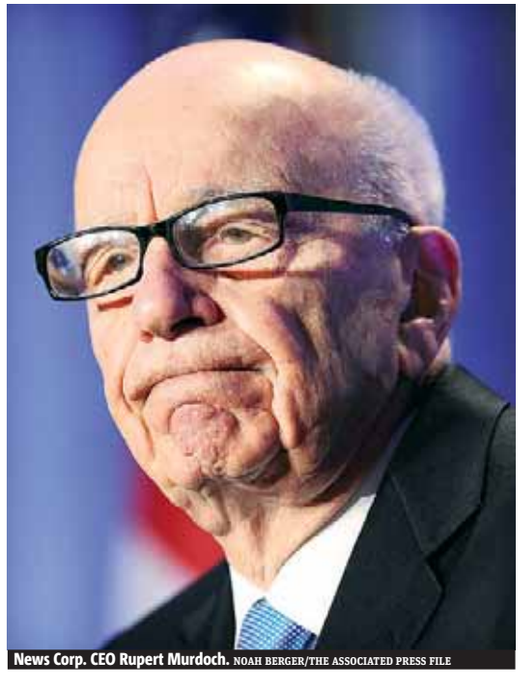
"I don't think he thinks that he has very much to lose"

Steve Fielding, Center for British Politics at the University Nottingham

But those intimate ties have frayed and snapped since revelations last year that journalists at Murdoch's News of the World tabloid routinely intercepted voice-mail messages of those in the public eye. The scandal quickly spread beyond the News of the World to cover an array of other questionable activities by British journalists, as well as police and public officials.

Andy Coulson — a former Murdoch lieutenant drafted as Prime Minister David Cameron's chief media aide — and Murdoch protege Rebekah Brooks both resigned before being arrested as two of the scandal's leading suspects, and Murdoch and his media executive son James have swapped discreet visits to No. 10 Downing Street with confrontational appearances before skeptical lawmakers in Parliament.

Once eager to secure Rupert Murdoch's blessing, Cameron has since ordered the official inquiry, which is calling Murdoch and his son in for at least two full days of testimony starting Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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THE TENNESSEE PROJECT DRAWS THE CURTAIN

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Most people hear the name Tennessee Williams and immediately think of A Streetcar Named Desire, the Southern playwright's sultry 1947 Broadway hit that catapulted a 24-year-old Marlon Brando to fame. Last Tuesday, a cosy crowd at The One in the Only Café on Danforth Avenue were introduced to a less familiar side of the playwright's work.

"All of us must sadly face the fact that we are makeshift arrangements," reads Toronto actress Leanna Brodie. She stands before her audience holding the personal letters of Williams in her hands. "P.S. I wrote this in a depression, but it is now past. I am sunny again!"

The evening of letter reading is part of The Tennessee Project, a collaboration between nine Toronto theatre companies that next month will bring Tennessee Williams' one-act plays to seven different Toronto neighbourhoods. From May 1 to 7, each production will rotate between venues in the Annex, Greektown, North York, Cabbagetown, Roncesvalles, St. Clair West and Leslieville, so that each neighbourhood will have the chance to see all of the plays.

Seven different evenings of Williams in a week is already an ambitious undertaking, but the organizers of The Tennessee Project are taking it even further, bringing Tennessee to Torontonians through free local events like this night of letter-reading.

Behind the scenes

"You really get to see the mind at work ... He wasn't saving these gems for some play — he actually thought that way."

Toronto actress Leanna Brodie

Over the course of the evening, we hear Tennessee's thoughts on procreation, food, depression and of course all of the latest gossip — circa 1940 — from London and New York.

"Dear boys, your auntie Froufrou is having a gay old time," reads actor David Coomber. Some letters, like Coomber's, offer a window into Williams' homosexuality, or what he referred to as his "unconventional mode of living." The names of other gay writers of the time — Isherwood, Capote — are sprinkled throughout.

Williams' correspondence is thoughtful, poetic and hilarious — chatting afterwards, many in the audience commented on how far written correspondence has fallen since his time.

Where Williams likens the appearance of an unwanted house guest to "a salty finger stroking a raw wound," today many would likely communicate the same sentiment by texting.

"You really get to see the mind at work," says Brodie. "He wasn't saving these gems for some play — he actually thought that way."

Someone offers her a drink. She smiles: "Well, I think a bourbon would be appropriate."

For more information, visit tennesseeprojecttoronto.com.

Actress Ellen Hurley reads from the letters of Tennessee Williams as part of The Tennessee Project. LIA GRAINGER/METRO

Warm-up to the podium

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On your mark

Kenya rocks London marathon

A general view as runners go past the Cutty Sark during the Virgin London Marathon Sunday in London, England.

Kenyan marathon runners showed their superiority ahead of the Olympics, with Wilson Kipsang and Mary Keitany coasting to victory in London on Sunday, virtually assuring that they will be selected for the games.

The winners were presented with their medals by Prince Harry, who indicated that security logistics are thwarting his attempts to enter the marathon.

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Wilson Kipsang, the second-fastest marathon runner ever, won the 42.2-kilometre race for the first time, more than two minutes ahead of fellow Kenyan Martin Lel. Kipsang had stormed ahead of the pack with around 10 kilometres to go in the British capital before winning in two hours, four minutes, 44 seconds.

Go!

- **World record-holder Patrick Makau dropped out less than halfway through.**
- **Mary Keitany pulled away from world champion Edna Kiplagat with around five kilometres to go before winning by one minute, 13 seconds. Priscah Jeptoo was third.**
- **In a sprint finish in front of Buckingham Palace on the Mall, Martin Lel edged Tsegaye Kebede of Ethiopia for second place.**

Finish line

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"What's fantastic is that my brother and his wife will be doing it next year, I think."

Prince Harry quipped that his brother, Prince William and wife Kate, the Duchess of Cambridge want to compete next year.

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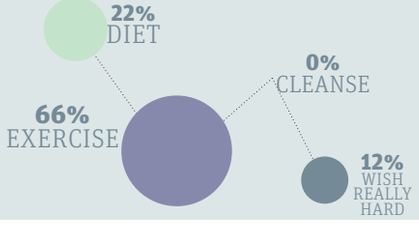

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@RhonnieSpencer: Just pure madness were getting a #Snowstorm in #Toronto tmrw PURE MADNESS

@MSSwatcher: I'm confused here, have two missing kids both shown up at the same time? Joshua Low and Michelle Yu?

@RickyBlayney: Great win for the Flyers today to finish off those Penguins for good. They hung around like a bad smell but the good guys won in the end.

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@TheFinerOne: Goodbye to the Pittsburgh Penguins, knocked off in round 1 by the Flyers. Next up: Canucks. & Bruins?

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SCENE

Box office

Hunger Games knocked from No. 1

The date-night movies Think Like a Man and The Lucky One have finally knocked The Hunger Games off its No. 1 box-office perch. According to studio estimates Sunday, Think Like a Man, based on Steve Harvey's dating-advice bestseller, debuted as the top weekend draw with $33 million. The Warner Bros. drama The Lucky One, starring Zac Efron in an adaptation of Nicholas Sparks' romance novel, opened at No. 2 with $22.8 million. Lionsgate's blockbuster The Hunger Games took in $14.5 million, slipping to third-place after four weekends at No. 1. Disney's nature documentary Chimpanzee opened at No. 4 with $10.2 million.

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On the web

Chaz Bono, Josh Hutcherson honoured at GLAAD Media Awards in Los Angeles

Luke Evans plays a straight-laced detective opposite John Cusack in The Raven. HANDOUT

A rookie actor, nevermore

Learning process. Despite his roles in big films, Evans says he learned plenty from working with John Cusack on The Raven

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Luke Evans hasn't been home in a while. The last two years have seen a marked increase in film work for the Welsh actor, taking him around the world to make films like The Three Musketeers, Immortals and this month's The Raven, in which he plays a straight-laced detective opposite John Cusack's Edgar Allen Poe. Evans checked in by phone from New Zealand, where he's been living for nearly a year while making The Hobbit — and where he says he'll be until at least July. After that? Who knows?

How much of an Edgar Allen Poe fan were you before going into this project?
I was very aware of who he was and how much of an impact he made on American literature, but I hadn't read a huge amount of his work. I knew about The Raven. The Pit and the Pendulum was the one I knew as well.

What did you think of the project when you were initially approached?
I thought it was great. I thought it was a very clever way of using Poe's work and brilliant stories and making it into a fictional detective movie and showing his stories in a very clever sort of fictional backdrop. I'd always wanted to work with John Cusack, too, so the fact that he's playing Poe was a really exciting idea for me.

What are some your favourites of Cusack's films?
Well, I love The Grifters, I love High Fidelity. They're two I really, really enjoyed. But almost all of John's work that I've watched, I've enjoyed. He's a great man to watch when he's doing his thing. He's been doing it for such a long time, you know? You can learn an awful lot, as an actor like myself, watching John do his thing.

Well, you've got a fair amount under your own belt now as well.
Yeah! Yeah, I have. It's just been very, very fast (laughs). And movies, film work — I'm still learning as I'm going along, and I'm sure I will learn for a very long time. But it is quite great when you get to work with people who've done movies for a long time because you just how watch how they play with the camera and like that, all the subtleties. I just keep watching, keep learning. But yeah, I've been acting for 12 or 13 years now. A lot of it's been in the theatre, but I try to channel what I learned there and use it in film. It's all acting at the end of the day, isn't it?

How was the experience on location for the Raven?
We started in Budapest in Hungary, and then we moved across the border to Serbia to Belgrade and also to a northern town called Novi Sad, which has a castle on the mound, and underneath the castle there's a huge bunch of tunnel networks, which is what we used in the film when... I won't give it away, but there are tunnels in the film that get used to chase... someone (laughs).

Did you feel isolated out there?
It's another difference, yeah. But Budapest is a great city, a really great city. We did a lot of night shoots in Hungary, and in the wintertime it can be cold and very windy, with a bit of snow. And it got worse because we jumped into former Yugoslavia. Serbia can get very cold. But the people are great. It's a great way to see the world. This is such a joy to me, to get a job and then go to places I would probably never have visited, and now I have. They're great, I'd go back there tomorrow.

Speaking of great locations, you're in New Zealand now. How is filming on The Hobbit going?
Filming is going very well, yeah. We're solid, solid working now. There's a lot to be done.

How have you found life in New Zealand?
I know, it's great, right? I've been here almost 10 months now, and it's such a beautiful place. Again, the people are what make New Zealand so great. They're a fantastic race of people, and they make a great team on set.

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Rufus Wainwright gets a little 'pop' with the help of Mark Ronson

New album. Singer-songwriter enlists the help of hitmaker Ronson in a bid for the mainstream ear

Rufus Wainwright is touting the release of what he calls his most pop-leaning album yet, but the eclectic singer-songwriter is far from quitting his ambitious foray into the classical world.

The 38-year-old crooner says he's set to pen another opera, but the details are staying under wraps, for now.

"I've been commissioned to write another one, there'll be announcements about that at some point," Wainwright says cryptically during a round of recent media interviews in Toronto.

"I don't think you can kind of step into that arena and just step right out again. I think that would be very, very cowardly."

In the meantime, Wainwright returns to the pop sphere this week with his brightly melodic album, Out of the Game, an unabashedly mainstream bid shepherded by hit-making uber-producer Mark Ronson.

The 12-song disc is infused with a '70s flourish and Wainwright's trademark honey-toned vocals, which weave around evocative vignettes of life with boyfriend Jorn Weisbrodt (Song of You), new baby girl Viva (Montauk) and mourn the loss of his recently deceased mother, singer Kate McGarrigle (Candles).

Musically, the typically bittersweet Wainwright says he strove to create a more commercially bent collection, describing Out of the Game as "something that you can put on at a party and people won't leave the room."

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Wainwright says he strove to create a more commercial collection on his new album. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sound

Making music a little bit brighter

Rufus Wainwright's newest album is a bit escapist. "Right before this album came out I had written an opera and done a solo piano voice tour, buried my mom, had a baby, you know, so I was really entrenched in these huge adult issues," he notes.

"For this album I really just wanted to have a good time and kind of rock out and be silly for a little while," he adds. "And though the record still has that custom-Rufus romantic sadness, I think it's a little more upbeat and brighter than my past work."

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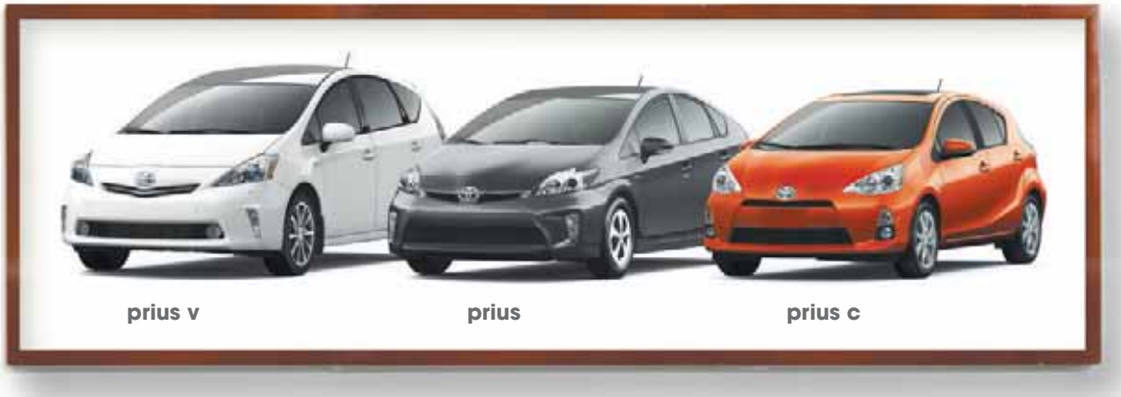

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Was Lohan lying about whereabouts?

When a woman recently accused Lindsay Lohan of assaulting her at a nightclub, Lohan's response was simple: She couldn't have, since she was at home watching TV at the time.

But new developments suggest she might not be telling the truth there, according to RadarOnline.

"Investigators obtained the surveillance video from the Smoke & Mirrors nightclub at The Standard Hotel and it clearly shows that Lindsay was there on the night of the alleged assault," a source says.

"The investigation is still ongoing and follow-up investigators want to interview Lindsay about the incident, but she hasn't been interviewed yet, nor is she under any obligation to do so."

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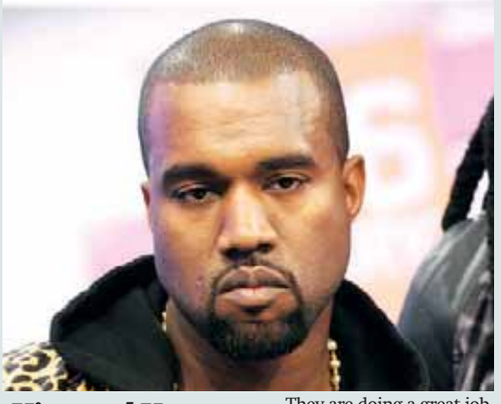

Kim and Kanye take on Manhattan, other Kardashians

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Oh, hey! Look who it is: Kim Kardashian and Kanye West, just out for a stroll in one of the most crowded cities in the world, in broad daylight, on a Saturday afternoon, in front of a barrage of photographers.

They are doing a great job of keeping this totally legit burgeoning relationship on the down-low, am I right?

According to US Weekly, the two spotlight-lovers browsed the racks at the Chelsea shop Balenciaga and then stopped for an ice cream cone at the Van Leeuwen ice cream truck.

It's getting so "serious" (a.k.a. completely generated for publicity) that West had dinner with Kim, her mother Kris Jenner, sister Khloe and brother-in-law Lamar Odom at the Spice Market restaurant in the city's Meatpacking District, according to RadarOnline.

Expect to see this entire weekend on the E! network soon as Kim's Fairytale Dinner: A Kardashian Event.

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What happens when mom watches your love scenes

It's one thing to have a steamy love scene in your new film, but it's another to have to watch it with your mom.

"We saw the film together and I was kind of squirming," Zac Efron tells People magazine about seeing his latest movie, The Lucky One, with his family in tow.

"Even though my mom was a couple of seats down from me, I tried to duck out during those scenes because it was too embarrassing. Obviously I'm acting, but knowing that my mom and my family were watching is kind of awkward. There's really no way around it."

So what did Mama Efron think of her son's performance?

"She was just laughing about it — in a good way," he says. "She said, 'That's my boy!' I think she was proud of me at the end of it, even if it was weird for her to watch."

Jessica Biel

Wedding bells in Italy for Biel and Timberlake?

Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel just finished a whirlwind five-day trip to Italy, prompting speculation about the location of their upcoming wedding, according to Us Weekly. After hitting up Rome, Naples and Capri, the happy couple reportedly paid a visit to the southern town of Bernalda — and more specifically the wedding venue Palazzo Margherita, where Sofia Coppola tied the knot last year.

Twitter

@ElizabethBanks
Ugh, tummy ache. It's either the flu or the cake-beansalad-cupcake lunch combo I had today. Prolly flu.

@realjeffreyross
What's the point of being in the Secret Service if you can't take advantage of any secret services?

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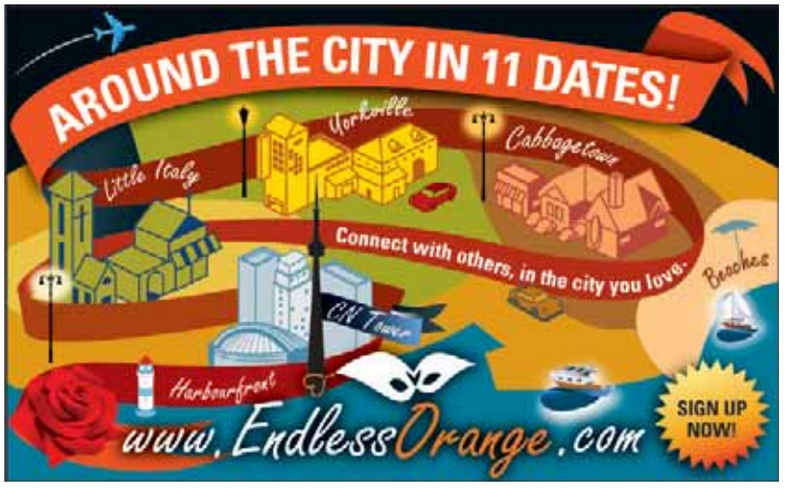
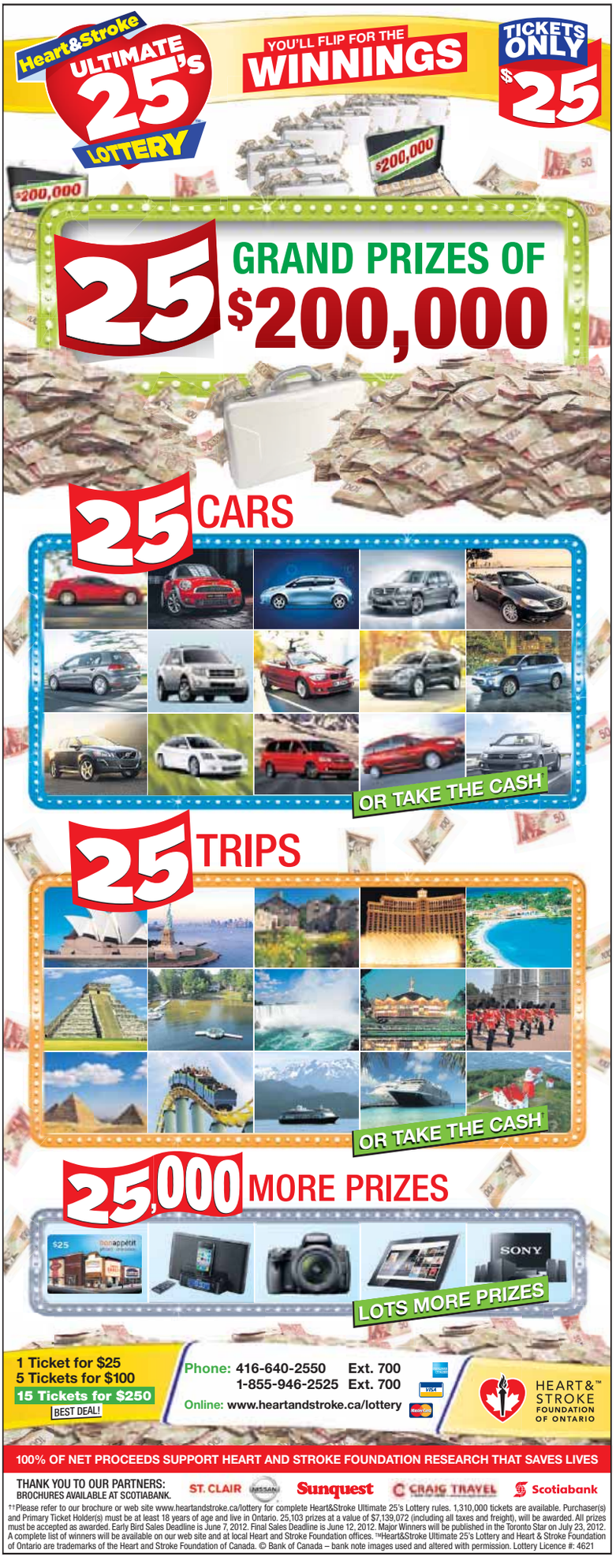
"Huffington Post Wins Pulitzer." Actually, another paper won the Pulitzer, Huffpo just posted a copy of it.

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Breakfast

Sunny outlook for outlets catering to millennial market

More Canadians eat breakfast on the run and it's the 20-something group that's driving the trend, says a market researcher group.

But the so-called millennials — people who now fall into the 19-35 age range — are also looking for healthier options they can easily eat during their morning commute.

A study by the NPD Group shows growth among quick-service restaurants for the morning meal, because more Canadians don't stop in their own kitchens before they head out the door. NPD predicts that segment of the market will grow 10 per cent by 2016.

The study, A Look into the Future of Foodservice, finds that nine per cent of the population prefers to pick up its morning meal at outlets such as Tim Hortons or McDonald's, and this has led to a 14 per cent increase in breakfast sales in the past year.

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On the web

Doggy Wars? Campaigns spar about canines, but dog owners not biting much

Mommy blog reasonsmommydrinks.com uses a comedic approach to discuss the issues faced by new mothers. ISTOCK

What drives mommy to reach for a drink?

Blog. After having babies four months apart, two life-long friends teamed up to offer an unfiltered look at being new moms

DELIA MACPHERSON
For Metro News

Two bloggers with new babies have put a comedic spin on some real issues women are facing when it comes to motherhood.

Lyranda Martin Evans and Fiona Stevenson, friends for 20 years, are the co-authors of reasonsmommydrinks.com, an honest and unfiltered blog about what it's really like to be a new mom.

"Being on maternity leave is the hardest job in the world," says Evans. "If I had to do mat-leave by myself, I think I would have gone nuts."

The two friends both had baby boys, four months apart.

"In my group of friends, there was a group of 2011 babies," says Evans. "I was really lucky. Women love to help each other out."

After attending high school, Queens University and then training at the Second City conservatory comedy program together, it only makes sense Evans and Stevenson would team up for this blog.

Both are unafraid to make racy quips and expose a more realistic image of being a mom.

The writers take personal experiences and stories from mom groups to create a witty list of more than 50 "reasons why mommy drinks."

"It's very cathartic," says Evans. "At the time, it's the worst moment of the day, but it becomes funny."

The blog's name is somewhat controversial, but Evans sees it as a comedic device, playing on the expression "I need a drink!"

"We wanted to have a good hook. It's all written tongue-in-cheek.

"The blog is really about how much we love them [kids]. We're trying to be perfect for them."

Reason #38 : The Babysitter

"Mommy can't believe she's going to pay a teenager $40 to sit in her living room for three hours (texting her boyfriend and eating Mommy's cappuccino frozen yogurt directly from the tub) while you lie sleeping in your crib upstairs the entire time. But Mommy and Daddy figured that to avoid becoming a statistic, they should spend the occasional Saturday night doing something other than eating take-out Thai food in front of Grey's Anatomy, only to doze off before the latest iteration of "doctor rips off nurse's clothes in the medical supply room." Dressed in her standby LBD and rocking her volumizing mascara, Mommy's feeling pretty hot, until the sitter with Angelina legs sprouting from a skirt the size of a Bella Band greets her..."
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Bloggers Fiona Stevenson, left, and Lyranda Martin Evans. CONTRIBUTED

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Catch of the day makes for easy weeknight dinner

This recipe makes two servings. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

Sweet and spicy, this catfish only needs a medley of vegetables served along with it or a crisp green salad for an easy weeknight meal.

1. In a small bowl, mix together Dijon and Creole mustards, honey and vinegar. Spread mustard mixture over top of fillets and arrange potato slices over mustard, pushing down gently so potato sticks.

2. In a non-stick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Carefully place fillets potato-side down in skillet and pan-fry for 5 minutes.

3. Remove fillets and place on parchment-paper-lined baking sheet. Bake in centre of 180 C (350 F) oven for about 12 minutes, until potatoes are golden and fish flakes easily when tested with a fork.

4. **Apple and Jalapeno Glaze:** Meanwhile, in a small saucepan combine apple jelly, water, apple and jalapeno and simmer on low heat for about 5 minutes. Keep warm.

5. Remove catfish from oven. Place on serving plates and drizzle with glaze.

Ingredients

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Dijon mustard
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) Creole mustard
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) honey
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cider vinegar
- 2 farm-raised catfish fillets (each 175 to 250 g/6 to 8 oz)
- 2 medium potatoes, peeled and cut in paper-thin slices
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil

Apple and Jalapeno Glaze

- 50 ml (1/4 cup) apple jelly
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) water
- 1/2 apple, peeled and diced
- 1/2 jalapeno, seeded and diced

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Perfect salmon glaze

Did you know that a household staple such as corn syrup makes for a perfect glaze, like in this recipe?

There has been some concern recently about high fructose levels in corn syrup, so it's worth noting that Crown Golden, the corn syrup of choice in this recipe, does not contain high-fructose-corn-syrup.

1. Heat a dry non-stick skillet on medium high heat. Add the cumin and toss for 1 to 2 minutes until the cumin is toasted. Use care not to burn the cumin. Remove it from heat and allow to it cool for about 10 minutes.

2. Combine cumin, garlic salt, black pepper, and dark corn syrup in a small bowl. Mix well.

3. Brush glaze over both sides of the salmon. Grill or broil, turning once and brushing liberally with glaze. Cook 8 to 10 minutes until salmon flakes easily.

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 tablespoons ground cumin
- 1 1/2 teaspoons garlic salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/2 cup Crown Golden no-high fructose corn syrup
- 4 salmon fillets (6 to 8 oz. each/ approx 200 g each)

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This recipe serves eight to 10 people. NEWS CANADA

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Green living — dollhouse-style

Next-generation toys. Dollhouse with different types of green themes helps educate kids as they play

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PlanToys is making eco-friendly dollhouses for tomorrow's generation. HANDOUT

For young children, play is serious business. It's what they do — and how they learn.

That's why PlanToys, an innovative maker of eco-friendly playthings, has created the ultimate green dollhouse.

"The PlanToys dollhouse shows many different types of eco-themes," explains Cal Nicholson, sales and marketing specialist at Playwell Canada.

"It's got a windmill, a solar shade, solar panels, recycling buckets — even the furniture inside features cotton that is all organic."

The concept is deliciously simple.

Along with all the social skills and imagination any good dollhouse fosters, this one turns sustainability into a basic, everyday concept — taken as a given from very early in life.

"The reality is that for the kids, the dollhouse is something cool to play with," Nicholson says.

"But the really big thing about PlanToys actually is about the parents. They know that the eco-credentials of this product are among the highest on the planet, and they feel really good about buying it."

The dollhouse is made from rubber wood trees from Thailand. Normally, these are burned for charcoal once they reach the end of their productive life. Instead, PlanToys uses their chemical-free wood to build toys that are tough, durable — and very green.

"Using chemicals goes completely against the green feature of the product, and they're only using soy inks or natural water-based colours," notes Nicholson. "All the packaging is recycled and recyclable."

The dollhouse isn't cheap — averaging around $200, depending on the retailer. But it's also very durable.

"You're buying a product that is Earth-friendly, that has high quality, and it's evergreen in the sense that kids are going to play with it for a long time. It's not a Walmart item that's going to get thrown away or broken in two weeks."

Nicholson sees the PlanToys dollhouse as an investment in the future — in more ways than one.

"This is something that can be played with by younger siblings or passed on to future generations," he explains. "PlanToys' whole model is sustainable play — in terms of the product itself, and also for the environment."

Child's play, in other words.

Quote

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Moving up. Ajay Virmani pulled out all the stops to guarantee his company's success

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Ajay Virmani came to Toronto from India in 1975 with a strong work ethic and a vision.

He washed windows, fixed car mufflers, then sold vacuum cleaners and life insurance.

But he found his true calling when he got into transportation management and quickly turned a struggling air cargo company around. With an opportunity to go out on his own, Virmani didn't think twice.

"I thought, 'I've got enough contacts in business. If I make $150,000 a year, I'll be happy.'"

That was in 1990 and today Cargojet is Canada's air cargo leader doing 200 million a year in sales.

Virmani says the key to being a successful entrepreneur is to never underestimate yourself and to believe in your skills.

"Take risks, be stubborn, dream and have a sense of purpose when you get up in the morning. At one point I had two mortgages on my house. I paid one credit card to another. Risk-taking ability is the biggest thing an entrepreneur can have."

The final word from the award-winning entrepreneur?

"Ask yourself, are you going to be a follower or a leader?"

Risky business

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Spelling it out

Ajay Virmani's secret to success:

- **S.** Sense of purpose
- **E.** Educate yourself
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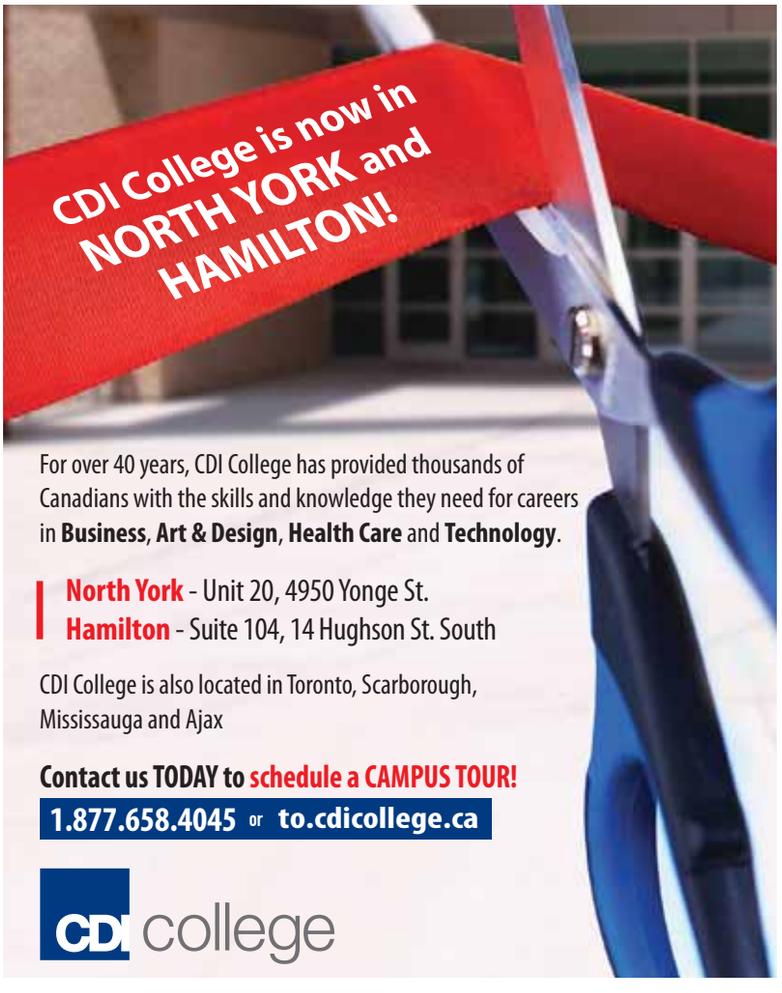

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Prom-posals: A new age of asking

A night to remember. Adding a wow to 'Wanna go to prom?'

Never mind a text that meekly asks "will u go 2 prom w/me?" Today's teenagers are taking a cue from elaborately staged wedding proposals, inviting each other to prom with flash mobs, scavenger hunts, homemade music videos and even airplane banners.

Mile-high messages

"This year is the first time we've done prom invitations."

Remy Colin, owner of Aerial Messages

And while coming up with clever or romantic ways to ask someone to prom isn't an entirely new concept, the effort and expense going into the big ask these days has given rise to a new term: Prom-posal.

"This year is the first time we've done prom invitations," said Remy Colin, owner of Aerial Messages, a company that charges $600 for a plane to fly a banner with a message on it. "It's expensive as hell for a high schooler who doesn't have any money, but we've done two in the past three months," one in Myrtle Beach, S.C., and one in Tampa, Fla.

Alex Chichkov, 17, arranged for a plane trailing "Come to prom with me, Kayla?" to fly over a student fundraiser his girlfriend Kayla Bennett was attending at King High School in Tampa in March.

18-year-old Joe Nelson, right, presented his girlfriend Rebecca Leet with a ring when he asked her to the prom. LANCE MURPHEY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"I've seen it for weddings and I wanted to do something huge or unique," said Alex, a senior who paid for the flyover with money he earned working at a family business.

"I didn't want to do anything generic. In the history of the school, no one has done anything that big. It's going to be my only prom, first time ever, last time ever, with someone who's been my girlfriend for two and a half years, so it deserves to be that big."

The plane flew over a student Relay for Life event, which raises money for the American Cancer Society, right before the talent show, while a sound system played a Michael Bublé cover of the Frank Sinatra song, Come Fly With Me.

Rebecca Leet, 17, had an audience of over 250 people for a prom-posal from her boyfriend, Joe Nelson, 18. Rebecca and Joe both worked on a school performance of Thoroughly Modern Millie at Collierville High School in Collierville, Tenn. At the end of the show, their teacher, Keith Salter, told the audience to stay put for one more thing.

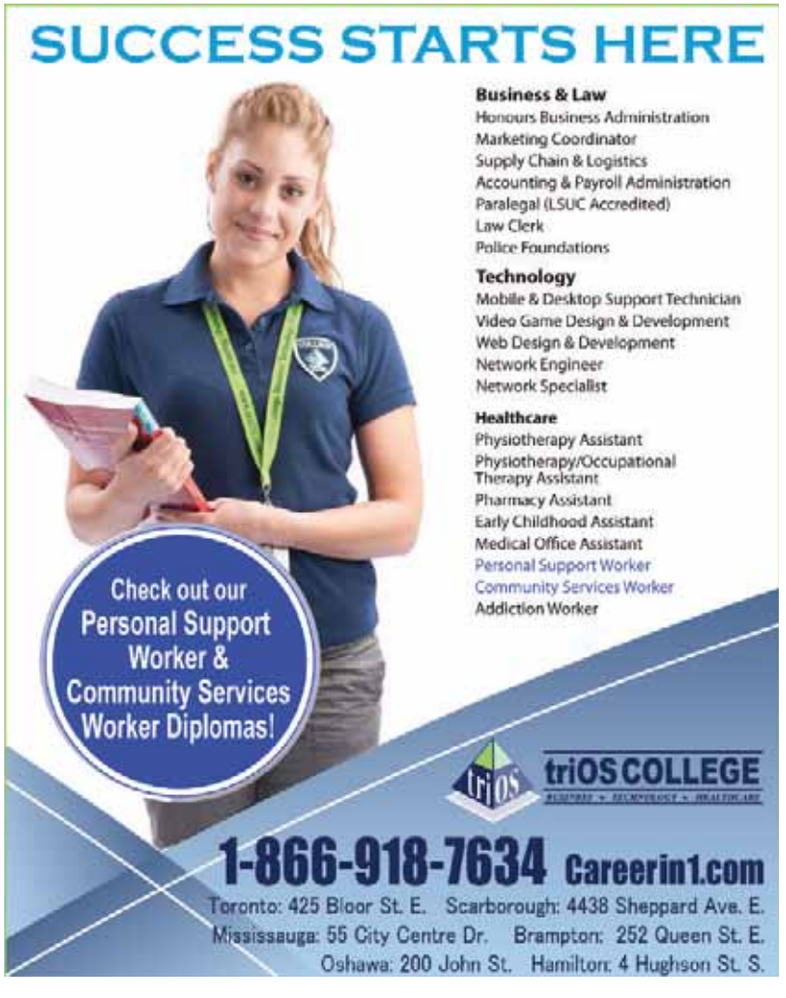
Joe came out on stage, got down on one knee and pulled out a box with a ring in it. "It's not what you think!" Salter quickly assured the audience, as some gasped, thinking it was a teenage marriage proposal.

Then Joe popped the question — the prom question. "She got all teary and said yes," Joe said. "It made my day just knowing I did something memorable and she really enjoyed it." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reigning in the raunch

A romantic revival?

Nancy Darling, an Oberlin College professor of psychology who studies adolescent development, said that despite stereotypes of teens "as sex-driven and aggressive," data shows kids are now becoming "more conservative" socially, with less sexual intercourse than previous generations. "We're back to being romantic," she said.



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NHL

Bruins win in OT to force Game 7

Tyler Seguin scored at 3:17 of overtime, Tim Thomas made 36 saves, and the Boston Bruins beat the Washington Capitals 4-3 on Sunday to tie the first-round Eastern Conference playoff series at three games apiece.

The defending Stanley Cup champion Bruins never trailed, but needed a stolen pass and a deft bit of skating to finally get the decisive goal and avoid being eliminated by the seventh-seeded Capitals.

Game 7 is Wednesday night in Boston.

In overtime, David Krejci intercepted a pass by Nicklas Backstrom and sent the puck to Milan Lucic, who passed ahead to Seguin.

Seguin, who entered the game without a point in the series, veered slightly to his right to draw goaltender Braden Holtby from the net, then lifted a shot past the rookie to win it.

That kept alive Boston's bid to become the first team to win successive Stanley Cups since the Detroit Red Wings in 1997-98.

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Tyler Seguin celebrates his game-winning goal Sunday. NICK WASS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Danny Briere of the Philadelphia Flyers takes the puck and heads up ice from in front of Zybnek Michalek Sunday in Philadelphia. PAUL BERESWILL/GETTY IMAGES

Flyers charge past Pens

NHL. Philadelphia's Claude Giroux caps big series with sixth goal to help eliminate Pittsburgh

Claude Giroux had his coach call him the best player in the world.

Giroux needed one shift to prove that claim is more than hometown hype.

He flattened Sidney Crosby only five seconds into the game, buried his sixth goal of the series past Marc-Andre Fleury 27 seconds later, and led a Philadelphia Flyers charge into the second round.

Giroux wrapped up a dominant series with a goal and two assists, Ilya Bryzgalov had his first outstanding effort in net and the Flyers beat the 108-point Pittsburgh Penguins 5-1 on Sunday to win their Eastern Conference opening-round series in six games.

Game 6

Flyers	Penguins
5	1

"G is a very special player," Bryzgalov said. "There's not very many players like that in the world."

Giroux strapped the Flyers to his 24-year-old back and gave the team an opening shift to remember. In a series where no lead was safe, the Flyers scored the first three goals and made it stand behind stout defence and stellar play out of Bryzgalov.

Bryzgalov allowed 20 goals in the first five games. He settled down in Game 6 and gave up only Evgeni Malkin's goal in the second period.

The Flyers had stormed out to a 3-0 lead in the best-of-seven series before Pittsburgh won two straight.

Peaceful finish

- The testy series concluded with a peaceful handshake line — and the Flyers having several days of rest to find out their next opponent before the next round begins.

"We needed to play perfect hockey to stay in this series, to win this series, and we didn't get the kind of start we needed today," Crosby said. "We felt like we could get it back to Pittsburgh, and now we have some time to think about why we didn't."

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Romero wins his third straight start for Jays

Brett Lawrie, left, beats the tag by catcher Humberto Quintero to steal home in the eighth inning Sunday in Kansas City, Mo. CHARLIE RIEDEL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ricky Romero keeps winning and the Kansas City Royals keep losing.

Romero won his third straight start, Brett Lawrie stole home and drove in two runs and the Toronto Blue Jays beat Kansas City 5-3 Sunday, giving the Royals a 10th straight loss.

The Royals have only six skids longer than 10 in franchise history. It is their longest losing streak since dropping 12 consecutive May 19-30, 2008.

Romero (3-0), who is 11-2 in 17 starts since July 21, gave up two runs on five hits in eight innings to earn the victory. In winning his past three starts, Romero has allowed 16 hits and six runs over 22 1-3 innings.

Sunday's game

Blue Jays	Royals
5	3

"He was efficient with his pitches," Blue Jays manager John Farrell said. "He pitched ahead in the count for the most part. I think, given the conditions today, it wasn't his cleanest game, but it shows the kind of stuff he has and the late life to all his pitches."

The Royals managed a couple of runs off Romero in the fifth, but those were aided by a Blue Jays error.

"I got outs and got deep into the game," Romero said. "That's my goal every time I take the mound. By doing that you've got to throw strikes. I had a little bit of a hiccup in that one inning. I thought I battled pretty good back from that. I just kept pounding the zone and let the defence work.

"When you throw strikes and pound the zone, you keep the hitters swinging, let the defence work and get some quick innings here and there and the next thing you know you find yourself in the eighth."

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4 SPORTS

Quoted

"We have tons of money and if we can use our cap space to get high-end free agents, we have a shot to get right back on top."

Detroit head coach Mike Babcock, whose Red Wings were eliminated by the Nashville Predators with a 2-1 loss in Game 5 on Friday.

"This team is too good to be going home right now after five playoff games."

San Jose forward Logan Couture, whose Sharks were eliminated in fives games after a 2-1 loss to the St. Louis Blues on Saturday.

On the web

On Monday night, the Nets will play their last game in New Jersey after 45 years of "misfortune". They will leave East Rutherford and cross the Lincoln Tunnel to set up shop at the Barclays Center in Brooklyn to start the next NBA season. Scan the code for the story.

Curling. Howard toppled by underdog Epping

Toronto's John Epping upset Glenn Howard of Coldwater, Ont., 7-6 on Sunday to win the men's final at the Capital One Grand Slam of Curling Sun Life Financial Players' Championship.

Epping drew to the button on the final shot to clinch the win in Summerside, P.E.I.

"It's a dream," Epping said. "This is something you dream of as a kid."

Epping, third Scott Bailey, second Scott Howard and lead David Mathers started the event as the lowest seeded men's side.

Quotable

"Expectations are going to be probably higher next year and that's what it's all about."

John Epping

"I don't think anyone could pick us to win this, and probably a lot of people didn't pick us to make the playoffs," Epping said. "But we've had a good season, we worked hard."

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English Premier League

Man City pulls within three points of United

Manchester City relegated the Wolverhampton Wanderers from the Premier League and moved to within three points of leader Manchester United by winning 2-0 at Molineux on Sunday. United played to a 4-4 draw at home to Everton earlier in the day. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tennis

Nadal finally delivers win vs. Djokovic in final

Rafael Nadal managed to beat Novak Djokovic in a final, thrashing the top-ranked Serb 6-3, 6-1 on Sunday to win the Monte Carlo Masters for the eighth consecutive year and end a run of seven straight defeats to his rival in title matches.

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Raps tap out in Detroit

Raptors guard DeMar DeRozan passes the ball around Pistons forward Jason Maxiell in Detroit on Sunday.

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NBA. Playoff also-rans show shortcomings with season winding down

There was about five minutes to go in what can be charitably described as a not-so-epic NBA game and Dwane Casey looked forlorn.

The score was 66-66, neither the Raptors nor the Detroit Pistons were scaring the 40 per cent mark in field goal efficiency, the Palace of Auburn Hill was less than half full and the matchup had the feel of an exhibition game. Casey sat, head tilted back, eyes closed and had to be wondering, "what in the world is going on here."

No one would have blamed him because what turned out to be a 76-73 Pistons win will go down as one of the most uneventful games in NBA history.

They had to play because the schedule said so, tickets had been sold and there were television contracts to honour.

No one said they had to play it well, though.

DeMar DeRozan played just 28 minutes and led the Raptors with 16 points as Casey gave extended minutes to the likes of Alan Anderson, Solomon Alabi and Linas Kleiza.

"It's nothing DeMar did," said Casey "But it was my decision not to put him in and leave Solo in and those guys who rode it down through the stretch and made it a close game."

Close. Not good, but close.

And, of course, on a night when the Raptors shot 37.7 per cent from the field and the Pistons bent some rims with a 36.6 per cent night the game came down to a miss.

Kleiza, at the end of a play the Raptors have used repeatedly in the dying seconds when they need a three-pointer, missed a wide open look from the top of the key at the buzzer that would have tied the game.

"I thought it was in, it was a well-executed play," said Kleiza. "I was wide open but I couldn't knock it down."

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Sunday's game

Pistons	Raptors
76	73

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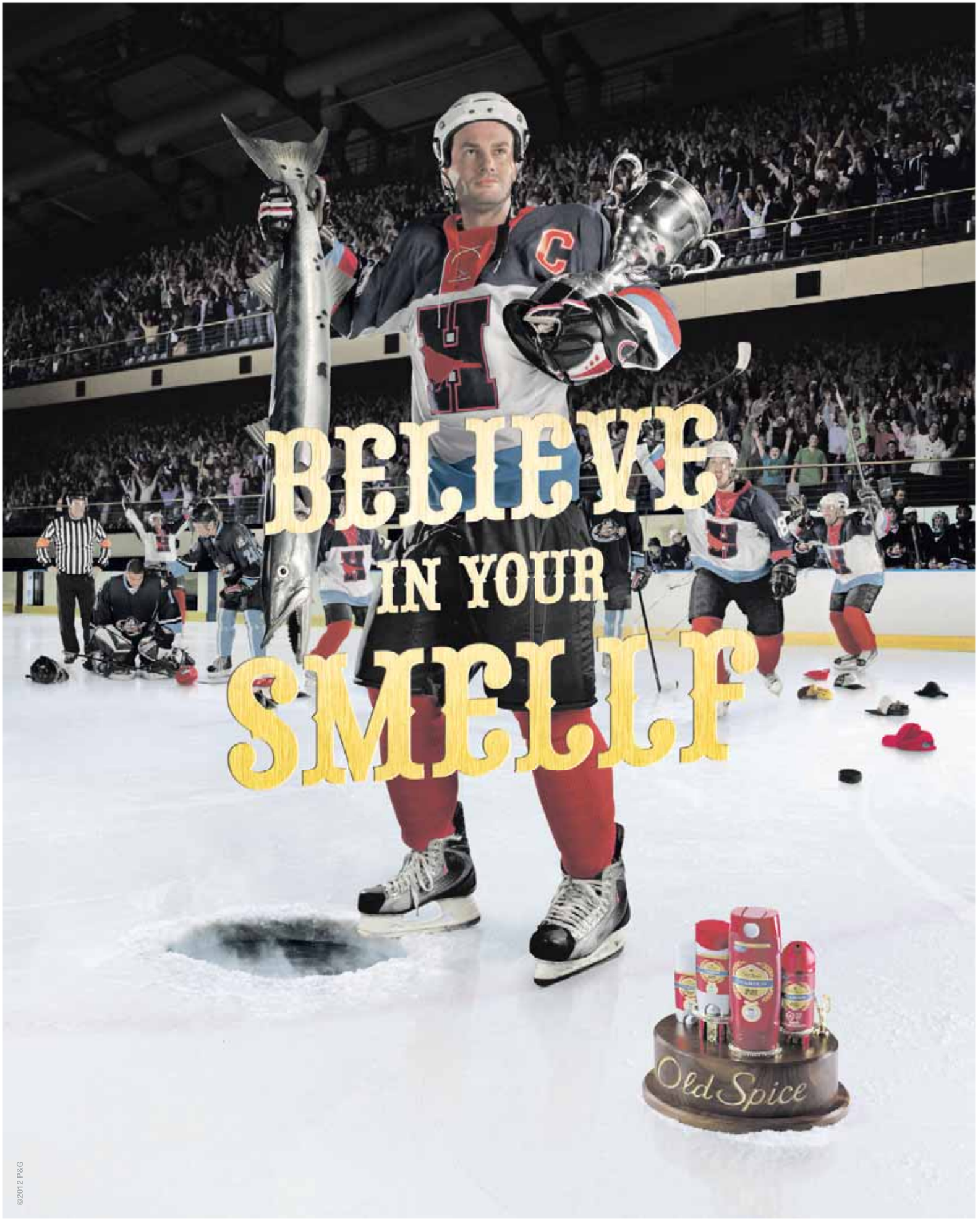

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

N.Y. Rangers (1) vs. Ottawa (8) (Ottawa leads series 3-2)
Saturday's result
Ottawa 2 N.Y. Rangers 0
Tonight's game
N.Y. Rangers at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 26
x-Ottawa at N.Y. Rangers, TBD
Boston (2) vs. Washington (7) (Series tied 3-3)
Yesterday's result
Boston 4 Washington 3 (OT)
Saturday's result
Washington 4 Boston 3
Wednesday, April 25
Washington at Boston, TBD
Florida (3) vs. New Jersey (6) (Florida leads series 3-2)
Saturday's result
Florida 3 New Jersey 0
Tomorrow's game
Florida at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 26
x-New Jersey at Florida, TBD

Pittsburgh (4) vs. Philadelphia (5) (Philadelphia wins series 4-2)
Yesterday's result
Philadelphia 5 Pittsburgh 1
Friday's result
Pittsburgh 3 Philadelphia 2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Vancouver (1) vs. Los Angeles (8) (Los Angeles leads series 3-1)
Last night's result
Los Angeles at Vancouver
Tomorrow's game
x-Vancouver at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.
Thursday, April 26
x-Los Angeles at Vancouver, TBD
St. Louis (2) vs. San Jose (7) (St. Louis wins series 4-1)
Saturday's result
St. Louis 3 San Jose 1
Phoenix (3) vs. Chicago (6) (Phoenix leads series 3-2)
Saturday's result
Chicago 2 Phoenix 1 (OT)
Tonight's game
Phoenix at Chicago, 9 p.m.
Wednesday, April 25
x-Chicago at Phoenix, TBD
Nashville (4) vs. Detroit (5) (Nashville wins series 4-1)
Friday's result
Nashville 2 Detroit 1
x — played only if necessary.

BRUINS 4, CAPITALS 3 (OT)

First Period
1. Boston, Peverley 3 (Ference, Bergeron) 5:56
2. Washington, Green 1 (Ward, Hamrlik) 9:47
3. Boston, Krejci 1 (Lucic, Peverley) 16:48 (pp)
Penalties — Bergeron Bos (tripping) 10:01, Chimera Wash (hooking) 12:54, Semin Wash (hooking) 16:02, Kelly Bos (holding stick) 17:18.
Second Period
4. Washington, Chimera 1 (Backstrom, Hamrlik) 19:18
Penalties — Ovechkin Wash (double high-sticking) 1:57, Bergeron Bos (high-sticking) 15:44, Pouliot Bos (slashing), Brouwer Wash (roughing) 19:22, Hendricks Wash (tripping) 19:39.
Third Period
5. Boston, Ference 1 (Seguin) 11:57
6. Washington, Ovechkin 2 (Backstrom) 15:08
Penalty — Pouliot Bos (roughing) 8:50.
First Overtime
7. Boston, Seguin 1 (Lucic, Krejci) 3:17
Penalties — None.
Shots on goal by

Boston	11	5	12	3—31
Washington	10	15	13	1—39

Goal — Boston: Thomas (W,3-3-0); Washington: Holtby (L,3-3-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Boston: 1-5; Washington: 0-4.
Referees — Paul Devorski, Dan O'Rourke.
Linesmen — Steve Barton, Greg Devorski.
Att.— 18,506 (18,398) at Washington.

FLYERS 5, PENGUINS 1

First Period
1. Philadelphia, Giroux 6, 0:32
2. Philadelphia, Hartnell 2 (Giroux, Voracek) 13:01 (pp)
Penalties — Briere Pha (high-sticking) 2:08, Cooke Pgh (interference) 12:39, Despres Pgh (tripping) 16:15.
Second Period
3. Philadelphia, Gustafsson 1 (Coburn, Giroux) 5:25
4. Pittsburgh, Malkin 3, 8:34 (pp)
5. Philadelphia, Briere 5 (Voracek, Carle) 9:08
Penalties — Timonen Pha (hooking) 6:57, Hartnell Pha (tripping) 10:07.
Third Period
6. Philadelphia, Schenn 2, 19:52 (en)
Penalties — Niskanen Pgh (slashing) 1:45, Coburn Pha (hooking) 8:06, Gustafsson Pha (delay of game) 16:45.
Shots on goal by

Pittsburgh	9	10	12	—31
Philadelphia	10	10	3	—23

Goal — Pittsburgh: Fleury (L,2-4-0); Philadelphia: Bryzgalov (W,4-2-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Pittsburgh: 1-5; Philadelphia: 1-3.
Referees — Kevin Pollock, Kelly Sutherland.
Linesmen — Derek Amell, Scott Cherrey.
Att. — 20,127 (19,537) at Philadelphia.

SATURDAY

SENATORS 2, RANGERS 0

First Period
1. Ottawa, Spezza 1 (Stone, Kuba) 9:18
Penalties — Neil Ott, Prust NYR (roughing) 3:45, Gonchar Ott (hooking) 6:51, Cowen Ott (interference) 11:40, Spezza Ott (roughing) 17:45.
Second Period
No Scoring.
Penalties — Fedotenko NYR (high-sticking) 0:52, Rupp NYR (charging) 13:48, Callahan NYR (roughing) 17:23.
Third Period
2. Ottawa, Spezza 2 (Konopka) 19:04 (en)
Penalties — Callahan NYR (goaltender interference) 9:04, Michalek Ott (slashing) 13:21.
Shots on goal by

Ottawa	9	12	9	30
N.Y. Rangers	14	12	15	41

Goal — Ottawa: Anderson (W,3-2-0); N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist (L,2-3-0).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Ottawa: 0-4; N.Y. Rangers: 0-4.
Referees — Marc Joannette, Brian Pochmara.
Linesmen — , Scott Driscoll.
Att. — 18,200 (18,200) at New York.

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	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	9	6	.600	—
Toronto	9	6	.600	—
Baltimore	9	7	.563	½
Tampa Bay	9	7	.563	½
Boston	4	10	.286	4½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	10	6	.625	—
Chicago	9	6	.600	½
Cleveland	8	6	.571	1
Minnesota	5	11	.313	5
Kansas City	3	12	.200	6½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	13	3	.813	—
Oakland	8	9	.471	5½
Seattle	7	10	.412	6½
Los Angeles	6	10	.375	7

Yesterday's results
Texas 3, Detroit 2, 11 innings
Tampa Bay 6, Minnesota 2
Toronto 5, Kansas City 3
Baltimore 3, L.A. Angels 2, 10 innings
Oakland 5, Cleveland 1
Chicago White Sox 7, Seattle 4
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, ppd., rain
Saturday's results
Texas 10, Detroit 4, 1st game
Chicago White Sox 4, Seattle 0
N.Y. Yankees 15, Boston 9
Detroit 3, Texas 2, 2nd game
Tampa Bay 4, Minnesota 1
Toronto 9, Kansas City 5
L.A. Angels 6, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 5, Oakland 1
Tonight's games (All times Eastern)
N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 1-0) at Texas (D.Holland 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lester 0-2) at Minnesota (Marquis 1-0), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Morrow 0-1) at Kansas City (B.Chen 0-1), 8:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Peavy 2-0) at Oakland (Colon 3-1), 10:05 p.m.

BLUE JAYS 5, ROYALS 3

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Vizquel 2b	4	0	0	0	AGordn lf	4	0	1	0
Bautist rf	2	1	1	1	Butler dh	4	0	0	0
Encrnc 1b	4	0	1	0	Hosmer 1b	4	0	1	0
Rasms cf	4	0	0	0	YBtncr 2b	3	1	0	0
Lawrie 3b	4	1	1	2	Francr rf	4	1	2	0
BFrncs dh	2	0	1	0	Mostks 3b	4	1	3	1
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RDavis lf	3	1	1	0	B.Pena ph	1	0	0	0
Thams ph-lf	1	0	0	0	AEscor ss	3	0	0	1
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Toronto	**000**	**040**	**010**	**5**
Kansas City	**000**	**020**	**001**	**3**

E—Y.Escobar (1), Lawrie (3), Moustakas (1). DP—Toronto 2. LOB—Toronto 11, Kansas City 5. 2B—Encarnacion (6), R.Davis (2), Francoeur (3), Moustakas (6). SB—Encarnacion (3), Lawrie (2), R.Davis (3), Arencibia (1), Bourgeois (1), A.Escobar (4). CS—B.Francisco (1), Bourgeois (2).

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
R.Romero W,3-0	8	5	2	2	2	5
Cordero S,1-1	1	2	1	1	1	0
Kansas City						
Duffy L,1-2	4 2-3	5	4	4	5	5
Coleman	2	0	0	0	1	1
Mijares	2-3	0	1	1	1	0
Jeffress	1	3	0	0	1	0
Crow	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

T—3:08. A—26,891 (37,903).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	12	4	.750	—
Atlanta	10	6	.625	2
New York	8	6	.571	3
Miami	7	8	.467	4½
Philadelphia	7	9	.438	5

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	11	5	.688	—
Cincinnati	7	9	.438	4
Milwaukee	7	9	.438	4
Pittsburgh	6	9	.400	4½
Houston	6	10	.375	5
Chicago	4	12	.250	7

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	12	4	.750	—
Colorado	8	7	.533	3½
Arizona	8	8	.500	4
San Francisco	7	7	.500	4
San Diego	5	12	.294	7½

Yesterday's results
San Francisco at New York, ppd., rain
St. Louis 5, Pittsburgh 1
Miami at Washington, ppd., rain
Houston 12, L.A. Dodgers 0
Colorado 4, Milwaukee 1
Cincinnati 4, Chicago Cubs 3
San Diego 6, Philadelphia 1
Arizona 6, Atlanta 4
Saturday's results
Chicago Cubs 6, Cincinnati 1
Washington 3, Miami 2, 10 innings
N.Y. Mets 5, San Francisco 4
L.A. Dodgers 5, Houston 1
Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 0
Milwaukee 9, Colorado 4
Atlanta 3, Arizona 2
San Diego 5, Philadelphia 1
Today's games
San Francisco (Lincecum 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Batista 0-0), 4:10 p.m., 1st game
Colorado (Moyer 1-2) at Pittsburgh (Correia 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 2-1) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 1-1), 7:40 p.m., 2nd game
St. Louis (J.Garcia 2-0) at Chicago Cubs (Garza 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Houston (Harrell 1-0) at Milwaukee (Greinke 1-1), 8:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 0-0) at Arizona (Miley 1-0), 9:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Jurrjens 0-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 1-0), 10:10 p.m.

LACROSSE

NLL

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Toronto	15	8	7	.533	186	185	-
x-Philadelphia	15	7	8	.467	169	198	1
x-Buffalo	15	6	9	.400	181	188	2
x-Rochester	15	6	9	.400	182	190	2

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Calgary	16	12	4	.750	216	170	-
x-Colorado	15	11	4	.733	202	185	½
x-Minnesota	15	8	7	.533	186	177	3½
x-Edmonton	15	6	9	.400	156	163	5½
Washington	15	4	11	.267	163	187	7½

x — clinched playoff berth.
Saturday's results
Calgary 9 Edmonton 6
Buffalo 14 Rochester 9
Minnesota 15 Philadelphia 10
Friday's result
Edmonton 14 Colorado 11
Toronto 16 Washington 13

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	48	16	.750	—
y-Miami	46	18	.719	2
x-Indiana	41	23	.641	7
y-Boston	37	27	.578	11
x-Atlanta	38	26	.594	10
x-Orlando	36	27	.571	11½
x-New York	34	30	.531	14
Philadelphia	33	30	.524	14½
Milwaukee	30	33	.476	17½
Detroit	24	40	.375	24
New Jersey	22	42	.344	26
Toronto	22	42	.344	26
Cleveland	21	42	.333	26½
Washington	17	46	.270	30½
Charlotte	7	56	.111	40½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	47	16	.746	—
y-Oklahoma City	46	18	.719	1½
x-L.A. Lakers	41	24	.631	7
x-L.A. Clippers	39	24	.619	8
x-Memphis	39	25	.609	8½
x-Denver	35	28	.556	12
x-Dallas	36	29	.554	12
Utah	34	30	.531	13½
Phoenix	33	31	.516	14½
Houston	33	32	.508	15
Portland	28	36	.438	19½
Minnesota	26	39	.400	22
Golden State	23	41	.359	24½
Sacramento	21	43	.328	26½
New Orleans	20	43	.317	27

d — division leader; **x** — clinched playoff berth; **y** — clinched division

Yesterday's results
New York 113, Atlanta 112
L.A. Lakers 114, Oklahoma City 106,2OT
Sacramento 114, Charlotte 88
Detroit 76, Toronto 73
Miami 97, Houston 88
Golden State 93, Minnesota 88
San Antonio 114, Cleveland 98
Orlando at Denver
New Orleans at L.A. Clippers
Saturday's results
Denver 118, Phoenix 107
Philadelphia 109, Indiana 106, OT
Washington 86, Miami 84
Chicago 93, Dallas 83
Houston 99, Golden State 96
Memphis 93, Portland 89
Milwaukee 106, New Jersey 95
Utah 117, Orlando 107, OT

PISTONS 76, RAPTORS 73

TORONTO (73)
Anderson 2-12 0-0 4, A.Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Gray 3-4 0-0 6, Uzoh 2-9 1-2 5, DeRozan 7-15 1-2 16, Davis 3-5 1-2 7, J.Johnson 2-9 1-2 5, Kleiza 4-10 2-2 12, Forbes 3-3 3-4 10, Alabi 2-7 2-2 6. Totals 29-77 11-16 73.
DETROIT (76)
Prince 3-8 3-4 9, Maxiell 1-5 1-4 3, Monroe 3-9 2-4 8, Knight 7-17 5-6 19, Stuckey 1-7 5-6 7, Villanueva 3-6 0-0 7, Gordon 6-11 6-8 19, Jerebko 1-3 0-0 2, Wallace 0-3 0-2 0, Bynum 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 26-71 22-35 76.

Toronto	15	19	16	23	73
Detroit	14	15	24	23	76

3-Point Goals—Toronto 4-13 (Kleiza 2-4, Forbes 1-1, DeRozan 1-2, J.Johnson 0-2, Anderson 0-4), Detroit 2-15 (Gordon 1-2, Villanueva 1-4, Stuckey 0-1, Monroe 0-1, Jerebko 0-2, Prince 0-2, Knight 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toronto 58 (Alabi 10), Detroit 53 (Monroe 17). Assists—Toronto 21 (J.Johnson, Forbes 4), Detroit 16 (Stuckey 6). Total Fouls—Toronto 28, Detroit 10. A—14,370 (22,076) at Detroit.

SOCCER

MLS

Yesterday's result
D.C. United 4, New York 1
Saturday's results
Chicago 3, Toronto FC 2
Columbus 2, Houston 2, tie
Los Angeles 2, Colorado 1
Vancouver 1, FC Dallas 0
Portland 1, Sporting Kansas City 0
Philadelphia 1, Chivas USA 0
San Jose 3, Real Salt Lake 1

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Manchester United 4, Everton 4
Liverpool 0, West Bromwich Albion 1
Wolverhampton Wanderers 0, Manchester City 2

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Motherwell 0, Celtic 3
Hibernian 0, Kilmarnock 1

SPAIN

PRIMERA DIVISIÓN

Yesterday's results
Granada 1, Getafe 0
Real Sociedad 1, Villarreal 1
Racing Santander 0, Athletic Bilbao 1
Atletico Madrid 3, Espanyol 1
Valencia 4, Real Betis 0

FRANCE

LIGUE 1

Yesterday's results
Ajaccio 0, Nancy 0
Paris Saint-Germain 6, Sochaux 1
Lyon 3, Lorient 2

ITALY

SERIE A

Yesterday's results
Fiorentina 0, Inter Milan 0
Cesena 2, Palermo 2
Genoa 1, Siena 4
Lazio 1, Lecce 1
AC Milan 1, Bologna 1
Juventus 4, Roma 0

GERMANY

BUNDESLIGA

Yesterday's results
Augsburg 1, Schalke 1
Hannover 0, Freiburg 0

HOCKEY

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PLAYOFFS

At Brno, Czech Republic
Yesterday's results
Bronze Medal
Canada 5 Finland 4 (OT)
Gold Medal
U.S. 7 Sweden 0

Has Toronto FC had enough of Winter?

Ashtone Morgan watches as Chicago Fire players celebrate their 3-2 win Saturday in Toronto. ABELIMAGES/GETTY IMAGES

MLS. Cracks starting to show between Dutch manager and players in midst of losing skid

Out of luck and seemingly out of answers, Aron Winter may also be running out of time with Toronto FC.

The Dutch manager watched his team suffer its sixth straight MLS defeat Saturday in a 3-2 loss to the Chicago Fire (2-1-2).

After coming within one win of reaching the CONCACAF Champions League final, Toronto (0-6-0) is now one loss from tying the 1999 Kansas City Wizards for the worst start in MLS history.

And ownership is watching.

"Obviously, after the strong end to last season and the strong start in Champions League this year, it's a huge disappointment," Tom Anselmi, chief operating officer of Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment, said in an email Sunday to The Canadian Press. "They have to get this straightened out. Our fans deserve better."

Whether he meant to or not, Winter threw gasoline on the fire at his post-match news conference Saturday when he talked of the need for "some better players." He also referred to a "lack of quality."

Now, cracks are beginning to show between manager and team.

An exasperated veteran midfielder Julian de Guzman said: "I stand behind my players in what they're capable of doing.

"We are the ones that will get us out of the situation, no matter who's in charge, or who's in charge of managing," he added.

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Crossword

Across

1 Foundation
4 PC program
7 Unrefined
12 Inseparable
13 "No seats"
14 Charlie Brown, typically
15 Rd.
16 Star of the show
18 Scepter
19 Poppy derivative
20 Antenna type
22 USN newbie
23 Grit
27 Under the weather
29 Tom Cruise movie
31 Reflection
34 Flora and fauna
35 Astaire/ Rogers film
37 Half a sawbuck
38 Witnesses
39 — -CIO
41 Grand-scale tale
45 Skedaddles
47 Swelled head
48 Hush-hush
52 Jungfrau, e.g.
53 Rigel's constellation
54 Nipper's old co.
55 Country singer David Allan —
56 Pollster's finding
57 Urge
58 Scuttle

Down

1 Enplane
2 Summarizing stanza
3 Gary Cooper role
4 Regarding
5 Drive
6 Visit briefly
7 Untalkative one
8 Jockey Turcotte
9 "Born in the —"
10 Lair
11 History chapter
17 Sculpture of a sort
21 Peak periods
23 Bookbinding piece
24 Past
25 Enthusiast
26 Genetics letters
28 Meadow
30 Kimono closer
31 "Monty Python" opener
32 Larry's pal
33 Gorilla
36 Soft mineral
37 Swindle
40 Staten Island carrier
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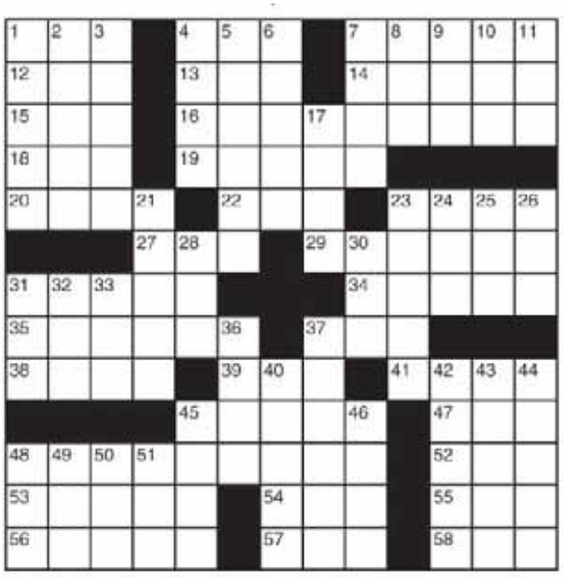
43 Nome dome home
44 Got by somehow
45 Ward (off)
46 Ollie's partner
48 Youngster
49 Bobby of hockey
50 Slapstick missile
51 Trinity member



Sudoku

		1				2		
	3		4		9		8	
6	5						7	4
		6	9		8	5		
5								9
		4	5		2	6		
8	4						1	6
	1		6		7		9	
		9				3		

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Friday's Sudoku

1	5	7	4	3	6	8	9	2
9	2	4	7	8	5	6	1	3
8	6	3	2	9	1	7	4	5
6	7	8	3	1	9	5	2	4
4	3	1	5	2	7	9	6	8
2	9	5	8	4	6	1	3	7
7	1	2	6	5	3	4	8	9
5	4	6	9	8	2	3	7	1
3	8	9	1	7	4	2	5	6

Friday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play
This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

EBCCTEUGA PTB NMX PTBI CUQFBIO FMYOG RP M RUA MDMEYMG ROMI, U'X QMDD FNMF M YTXUMY JTJOGF.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOU FINELY CHOP UP SOME AFTER-DINNER CANDIES, ONE COULD SAY THAT YOU MINCE MINTS.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals D

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Horoscope

Aries | March 21 - April 20. This is a week for getting things done, not fretting needlessly.

Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Usually you keep your feelings to yourself but over the next few days you will surprise a few people – and maybe yourself – by how easily you open up emotionally.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. Enrich yourself and enrich other people too.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Romance is in the air: feel it, breath it, enjoy it.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. If you intend to make major changes this week it will pay you to let partners and loved ones know well in advance.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. The more confident you are the more people you will attract to your side.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. A family or financial matter that has been causing you concern will disappear off your radar today, never to return.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Your one and only priority today is to have a good time.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. If your instincts tell you a certain course of action is right then that is what you must do – even if the rest of the world screams "Don't do it!"

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. The odds may seem stacked against you at the moment but it's an illusion.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. You may think that people are talking behind your back, and you may think that someone in authority has got it in for you, but that just shows you think too much.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. If you are the kind of Pisces who needs to be told that you are loved and appreciated then this will be a wonderful day. Almost everyone in your life wants to be nice to you. Why? Because you deserve it, that's why. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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